

Minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council
Austin Tex Aug 15, 1887.
Chair J. W. Robertson, Mayor, presiding.

Roll Call. Present, Alderman Alexander,
Campbell, Cummings, Graham,
Dill, Hall, Phillips, Schubel, Townsend,
Walker, Nellmer, Northam - 12.
Absent - Aldermen Anderson, Brush,
Caldwell, Fisher, Jones, Metz, Schneider,
Warren - 8.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting of the City Council were adopted as printed.

F. H. Holloway. Alderman Schubel presented a petition from F. H. Holloway, president of the Texas Telegraph and Telephone Company, requesting right of way over the streets of the city for the purpose of erecting poles. No action was taken on the petition.

Waller St. Alderman Walker presented a communication from the foreman of East Austin Hose Company, calling attention to the bad condition of the railroad crossings on Waller Street.

On motion the City engineer was directed to notify the railroad companies to repair their crossings at the places named.

Ald. Schneider. Alderman Schneider came in.

Sunday law. The City Attorney reported to the Council that the County Judge had decided that the Ordinance known as the "Sunday law," and also one providing for punishment for the offense of vagrancy, were invalid, because he says, they are in conflict with the State laws on the same subject.

A motion was made to refer the report to the Ordinances Committee and City Attorney, with instructions to consider the Ordinances therein mentioned, and other Ordinances in a similar condition. The motion was adopted.

Bd. of appraisal. A report from the Board of Appraisal and Qualification of the City, stating that they had finished the work laid before them, was submitted and read.

Right of street. The Street Committee submitted Conditional

way favorable reports, consisting of amendments, on "An Ordinance granting to the Austin Water Light and Power Company, their associates, successors or assigns, the right to erect poles and wires, for the purpose of constructing and operating a system of electric light and motive power in the City of Austin", and also on "An Ordinance providing for a supply of water, gas and electricity to the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas and authorizing Sylvester Walls and his assigns to construct, maintain and operate water, gas and electric works". The reports were read and laid over.

Mrs Bayot: The finance Committee submitted a favorable report on a resolution instructing the City Assessor to take credit for the sum of \$7.50, the sum being taxes erroneously assessed on property belonging to Mrs. P. H. Bayot. No action was taken on the report.

Ald. Jones. Alderman Jones came in.

Right of way. The following ^{named} Ordinance was taken up on its second reading and read, together with the amendment submitted by the Street Committee, which follows it:

"An Ordinance granting to the Austin Water, Light and Power Company, their associates, successors and assigns, the right to erect poles and wires, for the purpose of constructing and operating a system of electric light and motive power in the City of Austin."

The amendment recommended by the Committee: Add the following, Section 1 as Section 3, and change Section 3 to Section 1:

"Section 3. That the right of way and other privileges hereby granted to Said Company, are granted upon the express condition and agreement and upon the consideration that Said Company, its successors and assigns, so long as they shall operate said franchise, and occupy Said Streets and alleys of the City, shall furnish and supply the City of Austin with lights for the following purposes, free of all charge and compensation, to wit:

"First - All lights necessary for use at the City Hall and in the several offices and rooms of said building.

"Second - All lights necessary at the quarters and in the buildings of the several fire companies in the city.

"Third - All lights necessary for the city hospital".

The amendment was adopted, after which Alderman Hall moved to postpone action on the Ordinance until the next meeting of the Council, and that the same be printed in full in the Synopsis of the minutes of the meeting. Adopted.

Watts Co. The following Ordinances were then taken up right of Way. On its second reading and read, and action on it and also on the Committee's report which followed it, was, on motion, postponed until the next meeting of the Council, and ordered printed in the Synopsis of the minutes of the meeting:

"An Ordinance providing for a supply of water, gas and electricity to the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and Authorizing Sylvester Watts and his assigns to Construct, maintain and operate Water, gas and electric Works".
The Street Committee's report on the above Ordinance:

To the Mayor and City Council:

Your Committee on Streets recommend the passage of said Ordinance with the following amendments:

Add the following section, as Section 4:

"Section 4. That the right of way and other privileges hereby granted to said Sylvester Watts and his associates, successors and assigns, are hereby granted upon the express condition and agreement and upon the consideration that said Company, its successors, and assigns, so long as they shall exercise said franchise and use the streets and alleys of the said City for the

purposes mentioned in this Ordinance, shall furnish and provide the city of Austin with lights and water from the following purposes, free of all charge and compensation, to wit:

"First - All lights and water for use at the City Hall and in the several offices and rooms of said building.

"Second - All lights and water necessary at the quarters and in the buildings of the several fire Companies in the city.

"Third - All lights and water necessary for the City Hospital; provided, Said Physician Watts and his associates, successors and assigns shall not be required to lay a claim to comply with this contract.

"Fourth - All water necessary for sprinkling the streets of the city.

"Fifth - That all poles shall be located under the direction of the City Engineer and street Committee of the City of Austin."

Mrs. Bayot, A resolution authorizing the City assessor and Collector to take credit for the sum of \$7.50 for taxes erroneously assessed on lots 5 and 6, Outlot 3, division A, Sub-division block 4, by Mrs. P. H. Bayot, was taken up on its second reading and read, after which a motion was made to suspend the rules and place the resolution on its third reading, which was adopted by the following vote:

By ayes - Ald.
Alexander, Campbell, Cummings, Graham, Jones,
Odell, Platt, Phillips, Schneider, Schuber,
Townsend, Walker, Wellmer, Wortham - 14.
The resolution was then read a third time, and
on motion, adopted.

Texas teleph. & telephone Co. Alderman Schuber introduced a resolution granting right of way over the streets and alleys of the City of Austin to the Texas Telegraph and Telephone Company. The resolution was read, after which a call of the Council was made, duly seconded and adopted, and the Marshal sent after absenteess.

The Call was soon afterwards, (in Motion,) suspended and a motion made to suspend the rules and place the resolution (in its second reading,) which was adopted by the following vote:

(Yea) Aldermen Alexander, Campbell, Cummings, Graham, Jones, Odell, Platt, Phillips, Schneider, Schuber, Townsend, Walker, Wellmer, Wortham - 14.
The resolution was read a second time, after which Alderman Walker offered the following amendment:

Add to Section 1, "Provided, that said telegraph and telephone line shall not be located on Cedar (or Smith) Street."

Ald. Metz

Alderman Metz Carried.

Alderman Wortham moved to table the amendment. Carried.

A motion was then made to suspend the rules and place the resolution (in its third reading,) which was adopted by the following vote: (Yea) - Ald. Alexander, Campbell, Cummings, Graham, Jones, Metz, Odell, Platt, Phillips, Schneider, Schuber, Townsend, Wellmer, Wortham - 11.
(Nay) - Alderman Walker.

Pay
roll.

On motion the resolution then passed Alderman Odell offered an Ordinance appropriating \$3390, to pay the officers and regular employes of the City and City and County hospital, each for the month of August, 1887.

The Ordinance was read first time, after which motions were made to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance (in its second and third readings,) and that it do pass, all of which were adopted by the following vote:

(Yea) - Ald. Alexander, Campbell, Cummings, Graham, Jones, Metz, Odell, Platt, Phillips, Schneider, Schuber, Townsend, Walker, Wellmer, Wortham - 15.

Approved Alderman Odell also presented an Ordinance
acc'ts. appropriating the sum of \$2092.01 to pay approved
account.

The Ordinance was read the first time, after
which motions were made to suspend the
rules and place the Ordinance on its
second reading, which was adopted by the
following vote:

Yea - Ald. Alexander, Campbell,
Cummings, Graham, Jones, Meltz, Odell,
Platt, Phillips, Schneider, Schubel,
Townsend, Walker, Wellmer, Wortham - 15.
The Ordinance was then read a second
time, after which motions were made
to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance
on its third reading, and that it do pass,
both of which were adopted by the following
vote:

Yea - Ald. Alexander, Campbell,
Cummings, Graham, Jones, Meltz,
Odell, Phillips, Schneider, Schubel,
Townsend, Walker, Wellmer, Wortham - 14.

Nay - Alderman Platt.

Repealing: Alderman ~~repealing section of ordinance~~ introduced "An Ordinance,
making an appropriation for a topographical
Survey, and other purposes" passed March
21, 1881", and ~~repealing section of ordinance making an~~ also "An Ordinance, appropriating
\$1000 for Recan \$1000. for work on Ocean Street", both of
which were referred to the Street Committee.

(On motion the Council then adjourned.

Milton Morris,
City Clerk.